

REMARKS

In the application claims 6 – 9, 11, 15 – 19, and 21 remain pending. Claims 1 – 5, 10, 12 – 14, 20, and 22 – 32 have been canceled and will be filed in a continuation application. Certain of the claims have been amended only for the purpose of improving the readability thereof. The amendments were not made for the purpose of fulfilling any statutory requirement.

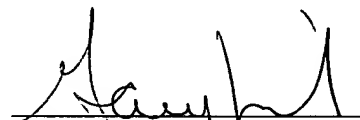
It is respectfully submitted that the application is in good and proper form for allowance. Such action of the part of the Examiner is respectfully requested. Should it be determined, however, that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the attorney undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit overpayment to deposit account number 502,428.

Respectfully Submitted;

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